IN THE CLAIMS

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please **AMEND** claims 1, 4, 6, 8, 10.

Please **ADD** new claims 11-15.

1. (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus connectable to an external communication terminal via a communication network, the apparatus comprising:

a job information receiver for receiving job information supplied from the external communication terminal via the network, the job information ~~being related to a required procedure~~ <u>including contents of a desired job to be</u> performed by the data processing apparatus;

a job information register for registering the received job information;

a job information specifier for specifying the job information registered in the job information register; and

a procedure controller for ~~controlling said required procedure~~ <u>causing the job to be performed</u> based on the specified job information<u>;</u>

<u>wherein the procedure controller, via the communication network, causes the external communication terminal to perform a series of preliminary steps for generating the job information received by the job information receiver, in response to an input from a user to the external communication terminal, the series of preliminary steps not causing the data processing apparatus to perform the job; and</u>

<u>wherein the procedure controller also performs a series of validating steps for causing the data processing apparatus to perform the job in response to another input by the user, via the job information specifier, to the data processing apparatus.</u>

2. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the job information receiver receives a password supplied from the external communication terminal via the network together with the job information.

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3. (original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the job information register stores the job information in connection with the received password and a job acceptance number.

4. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the procedure controller, as the series of validating steps, allows the ~~required procedure~~ job to be performed by the data processing apparatus only when correct job acceptance number and password are ~~inputted through~~ input by the user, through the job information specifier, to the data processing apparatus.

5. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the network comprises the Internet.

6. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the job information receiver supplies a data transmission form to the external communication terminal via ~~the~~ Internet as the communication network, the job information being ~~inputted~~ input by the user to the external communication terminal in accordance with the data transmission form.

7. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein at least either one of the job information receiver and the job information register is contained in a main computer, the job information specifier being contained in a unit separate from the main computer.

8. (Currently Amended) A ~~data processing~~computer system on a communication network, comprising:

~~a communication network;~~

a data processing apparatus connectable to the network; and

a communication terminal connectable to the network;

wherein the data processing apparatus comprises:

a job information receiver for receiving job information supplied from the communication terminal via the network, the job information ~~being related to a required procedure~~including contents of a job to be performed by the data processing apparatus; a job information register for registering the received job information; a job information specifier for specifying the job information registered in the job information register; and a procedure controller for ~~controlling said required procedure~~causing the job to be performed based on the specified job information;

wherein the procedure controller, via the communication network, causes the communication terminal to perform a series of preliminary steps for generating the job information received by the job information receiver, in response to an input from a user to the communication terminal, the series of preliminary steps not causing the data processing apparatus to perform the job; and

wherein the procedure controller also performs a series of validating steps for causing the data processing apparatus to perform the job in response to another input by the user, via the job information specifier, to the data processing apparatus.

9. (original) The system according to claim 8, wherein the network comprises the Internet.

10. (currently amended) ~~A~~At least one storage medium ~~used for~~storing computer instructions to control a communication terminal and a data processing apparatus in a data processing system which includes ~~a data processing apparatus, a communication terminal and~~ a communication network for connecting the data processing apparatus to the communication terminal, the ~~storage medium storing programs to be~~computer instructions, when executed, ~~by~~ controlling the communication terminal and the data processing apparatus~~, the~~ ~~programs~~according to a process comprising:

~~a job information generating program for~~generating job information, via the communication network, according to a series of preliminary steps, in response to an input from

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a user to the communication terminal, the job information including contents of a job to be performed by the data processing apparatus, the series of preliminary steps not causing the data processing apparatus to perform the job,

sending, via the network, the generated job information from the communication terminal to the data processing apparatus, and ~~on the communication terminal, the job information being related to a described procedure performed by the data processing apparatus, and~~

performing a series of validating steps ~~job information transmitting program for sending the generated job information from the communication terminal to~~ causing the data processing apparatus ~~via the network~~ to perform the job in response to another input by the user to the data processing apparatus.

11. (New) The system according to claim 8, wherein, according to the series of preliminary steps, the job information receiver receives a password supplied from the communication terminal via the network together with the job information.

12. (New) The system according to claim 11, wherein the job information register stores the job information in connection with the received password and a job acceptance number.

13. (New) The system according to claim 12, wherein the procedure controller, as the series of validating steps, allows the job to be performed by the data processing apparatus only when correct job acceptance number and password are input by the user, through the job information specifier, to the data processing apparatus.

14. (New) The system according to claim 8, wherein the job information receiver supplies a data transmission form to the external communication terminal via Internet as the communication network, the job information input by the user to the communication terminal in accordance with the data transmission form.

15. (New) The system according to claim 8, wherein at least either one of the job information receiver and the job information register is contained in a main computer, the job information specifier being contained in a unit separate from the main computer.